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INVOLVING ENDOPHYTIC ACTINOMYCETES
AND METABOLITES THEREOF

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RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated December 28, 2009, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.114, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks for entry in the above-identified case. This Response is filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

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